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NOTICE OF NON-PERFORMANCE

Mr. Daniel Kushner:

Pursuant to Government Code section 15472, et seq, the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) has conducted an inspection of work completed by Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) in accordance with its 2025 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) and determined the existence of non-performance requiring correction. Energy Safety therefore issues PG&E a Notice of Non-Performance (NON).

On January 13, 2026, Energy Safety conducted an inspection of PG&E's WMP initiatives in the vicinity of Nevada City, CA in High Fire Threat District (HFTD) Tier 3 . The inspection report is enclosed herewith. Energy Safety found the following deficiency:

Deficiency 1. Energy Safety observed that in implementing 2025 WMP initiative 8.2.2.2.4 Tree Removal Inventory, PG&E failed to adhere to its protocol of wood and slash management near Pole ID 103961342, Vegetation Management IDs VP_AW114-M02_3814093_2022 and VP_AW114-M02_3814094_2022 at coordinates 39.3876875509, -120.993482624. Energy Safety considers this non-performance to be in the Moderate risk category.

Energy Safety provided the initial findings and supporting information regarding this deficiency to PG&E on January 22, 2026. Based on the information provided to PG&E before Energy Safety issued this NON, PG&E remediated the deficiency and provided photographs to Energy Safety documenting the remediation on February 5, 2026. Energy Safety reviewed the photographs and determined that PG&E adequately completed the work. As a result, Energy Safety considers the NON closed and no further action is required by PG&E.

If you have any questions regarding the enclosed inspection report, please contact me or Elizabeth McAlpine at Elizabeth.McAlpine@energysafety.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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INSPECTION REPORT

Overview

The Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety (Energy Safety) conducts field inspections to verify the work performed by an electrical corporation as reported in an approved Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP), and to assess general conditions of electrical infrastructure that may adversely impact an electrical corporation’s wildfire risk. A Notice of Non-Performance (NON) is issued for any instances of non-performance identified during an inspection related to an electrical corporation’s execution of its WMP initiatives.

Energy Safety has designated this finding of deficiency as “Moderate” risk. PG&E has since remediated the deficiency. This NON is considered closed, and no further action is needed of PG&E.



Inspection Summary

Energy Safety found a “Moderate” Adherence to Protocol deficiency near VMP IDs VP_AW114-M02_3814093_2022 and VP_AW114-M02_3814094_2022 in HFTD Tier 3. PG&E did not perform its Wood and Slash Management (WMP Initiative 8.2.3.2) program as required in the WMP, instead slash was left piled on site.

The inspection location and WMP initiative summary are included in Table 1.

Table 1: Inspection Location and Initiative Summary

Electrical Corporation:	PG&E
Report Number:	NON_ESD_PGE_AKM_20260113_1448
Inspector:	Akiko Masuda
WMP Year Inspected:	2025
Quarterly Data Report (QDR) Referenced:	Quarter 3 (Q3) 2025
Inspection Selection:	Energy Safety inspected the locations based on PG&E’s Q3 QDR.
Relevant WMP Initiative(s):	8.2.3.2 Wood and Slash Management
Date of inspection:	January 13, 2026
City and/or County of Inspection:	Nevada City, Nevada County

Inspection Findings

Deficiency 1

Relevant Requirement:

PG&E's WMP initiative 8.2.3.2 Wood and Slash Management states that, "Utility work on vegetation creates debris and wood products which, if left unmanaged, can become fuel for wildfire. PG&E is required to reduce or adjust live fuels as they are generated from programs developed to comply with PRC [Public Resources Code] 4293, General Order 95 Rule 35 and Pub. Util. Code [Public Utility Code] 8386."¹

PG&E's WMP initiative continues by stating, "PG&E's VM [vegetation management] Programs define debris as material less than 4 inches in diameter and large wood as material greater than 4 inches in diameter...Debris less than 4 inches in diameter that is generated during pruning activities are chipped or lopped and scattered on the property in accordance with applicable regulations...."²

PG&E lists the following governing standard for its slash management program, "Best Management Practices (BMP) for Vegetation Management Activities (TD-7102P-01-JA01)."³ PG&E's protocol TD-7102P-01-JA01 states, "Woody debris created by chipping, lop and scatter, or brush mowing operations must be left at an average depth of less than 18 inches from the ground surface unless otherwise specified in an easement or landowner agreement."⁴

Findings:

Energy Safety considers this deficiency as a "Moderate" because the slash pile is over 18-inches in height, creating a potential fuel source for wildfire.

At VMP IDs VP_AW114-M02_3814093_2022 and VP_AW114-M02_3814094_2022 near pole ID 103961342, PG&E reported it completed work under its Tree Removal Inventory program. PG&E's Q3 data reports that its crew removed a Douglas fir tree and a sugar pine tree on September 21, 2025. Energy Safety's inspector observed slash, wood chips, and woody debris from these trees. Additionally, the inspector observed a pile of slash debris was higher than 18 inches. The inspector's observation is documented in photos 1, 2 and 3, which are exhibits to this report.

¹ PG&E's 2023-2025 WMP (Rev. #4.1, Jun. 7, 2024), p. 277

(<https://efiling.energysafety.ca.gov/eFiling/Getfile.aspx?fileid=56791&shareable=true>, accessed Feb. 5, 2026)

² PG&E's 2023-2025 WMP (Rev. #4.1, Jun. 7, 2024), p. 680

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³ PG&E's 2023-2025 WMP (Rev. #4.1, Jun. 7, 2024), p. 680

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⁴ Pacific Gas and Electric Company. (n.d.). General best management practices for all VM (TD-7102P-01-JA01) (Rev. 1, Jan. 6, 2022), p. 12 (<https://www.pge.com/assets/pge/docs/outages-and-safety/outage-preparedness-and-support/td-7102p-01-ja01-general-best-management-practices-for-all-vm.pdf>, accessed Feb. 5, 2026)

Energy Safety sent PG&E Data Request OIES-E-INP_2026-PG&E-008 on January 22, 2026, inquiring about the vegetation management activities at the site. PG&E's response to the data request confirmed that the slash, chips and woody debris were associated with VMP IDs VP_AW114-M02_3814093_2022 and VP_AW114-M02_3814094_2022.

Since Energy Safety's inspection, PG&E conducted a field visit and completed the clean-up and disposal of wood and slash at the location in this report. Therefore, Energy Safety considers NON
NON_ESD_PGE_AKM_20260113_1448 closed. No further action from PG&E is required in response to this
NON.

Exhibits

Exhibit A: Photo Log

Structure ID: 103961342

Deficiency 1



Photo 1: Photo of pile of wood and slash debris left onsite.



Photo 2: Photo of pile of wood and slash debris, with the pile measuring more than 41 inches in height.



Photo 3: Top view of wood and slash left onsite showing a spread exceeding ten feet in width.